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REPORT

OF

THE SELECTMEN

AUDITORS,

AND

OVERSEERS OF POOR,

AND

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

OF THE

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN,

FOR THE

Year Ending, Feb. 18th, 1859.

MANCHESTER,

J. M. CAMPBELL, PRINTER—NO. 2 UNION BUILDING,

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TREASURER'S REPORT.

Oren Moore in account with the town of Goffstown.	Dr.
To Cash, note and orders received of former Treasurer,	\$260 94
received of Selectmen, borrowed,	2101 70
" E. Richards, 2d, Collector,	1357 40
due from E. Richards, former Collector,	109 71
received of Richard Pattee, Collector,	2562 68
due from do.,	611 88
Literary Fund,	161 84
Railroad Tax for 1857,	103 09
" " 1858,	150 32
interest on School Fund,	130 56
" Parsonage Fund,	121 17
received of the town of Bow for the support of J. B. Clough,	5 00
received for County Paupers,	24 13
" from the City of Manchester,	1500 00
	\$9200 42

The Treasurer in account with the Town of Goffstown for 1859.

ORDERS PAID.

Orders paid by former	Cr.	Daniel Shirley,	14 00
Treasurer,	\$206 52	David H. Barr,	8 00
James Dodge,	22 00	Wm. C. Richardson,	12 50
Calvin Martin,	22 00	Alfred Poor,	7 91
James Black,	2 00	G. W. Parker,	8 03
Daniel Kidder,	135 40	Gideon Flanders, 2d,	57 50
Gilman Robertson,	13 25	Hannah K. Aiken,	103 45
Charles George,	20 00	Francis H. Watson,	245 10
Methodist Society,	15 62	do.,	110 20
Nathan Roberts,	10 50	H. B. Stearns,	150 95
Albert G. Robie,	4 95	Charles Spencer,	47 76
S. F. Burnham,	1 50	M. W. Woodbury,	150 60
John Dunlap,	40 00	James Barr,	165 30
Samuel Dow,	54 75	Elnathan Whitney,	302 48
David H. Barr,	39 25	M. W. Woodbury,	301 90
Wm. Sweetser,	4 00	Paige Richardson,	17 50

T. R. Butterfield,	418	40	County of Hillsborough,	20	10
Andrew McDougall,	5	00	G. P. Hadley,	2	00
do.,	1	00	Daniel Kidder,	100	00
James M. Campbell,	34	25	Marden Emerson,	1053	14
Simmons B. Cilley,	150	00	J. M. Tenney,	5	00
Gideon Flanders,	307	85	Merrill & Johonnet,	3	00
Hannah K. Aiken,	165	00	Joseph Davis,	3	00
Town of Thornton,	21	75	J. M. Campbell,	2	75
R. P. Collins,	1	50	Teachers' Institute,	19	76
A. F. Carr,	5	25	Baptist Society,	16	62
Tewksbury & Brother,	2	83	F. B. Martin,	40	
Gideon Flanders,	3	00	Joseph Kennedy,	2	50
Samuel Dow,	13	71	R. P. Collins,	33	75
Daniel Kidder,	170	00	A. F. Carr,	15	00
do.,	20	00	Geo. H. Newell,	50	
Alfred Story,	25	00	Horace Peabody,	1	00
John Burnham,	5	00	D. Butterfield,	50	
Wm. Merrill,	5	50	Warren Harriman,	1	23
Wm. G. Buxton,	3	00	Moses Gage,	2	00
Gideon Flanders, 2d,	15	13	S. J. Dow,	1	00
Wm. Sweetser,	3	00	A. F. Carr,	7	00
School District No. 8,	20	00	S. Dow,	3	06
R. M. Shirley,	80	00	S. Kidder,	2	00
do.,	80	00	Town of Epsom,	16	00
Gilman Blaisdell,	200	00	Farmers' M. F. I. Company,	3	93
David H. Barr,	21	00	A. Story,	11	77
Wm. Shirley,	7	00	David Steele,	9	20
Robert Patten,	3	00	R. Pattee,	47	62
Morrison, Fitch & Stanley,	50	00	do.,	16	46
George P. Hadley,	2	00	Paid note to A. Story,	153	00
R. P. Collins,	1	50	E. Richards, 2d,	28	93
Daniel Paige,	5	00	do.,	10	25
T. R. Hoyt, Jr.,	2	00	T. R. Butterfield,	11	53
Damon Y. Stearns,	5	00	D. Kidder,	10	00
R. M. Shirley,	80	00	Non-resident highway tax,	2	03
School District No. 9,	25	00	A. F. Carr,	5	50
Town of New Boston,	10	28	T. R. Butterfield, A. F.		
Dr. Daniel Little,	7	00	& D. S. Carr,	6	00
Daniel Kidder,	1	40	State tax,	345	80
Town of Sutton,	8	84	County tax,	610	78
Lucy Hadley,	36	00	A. F. Carr & G. B. Hadley,	60	00
S. F. Burnham,	1	50	A. F. Carr,	3	00
Town of Bow,	19	00			
John H. Goodale,	19	76			
J. H. Sweetser,	7	00			
					\$6990 38

SCHOOL ORDERS.

District No. 1,	\$155 68	District No. 11,	116 94
2,	58 33	12,	49 46
3,	90 81	13,	113 22
4,	76 81	14,	52 63
5,	68 72	15,	36 54
7,	85 98	16,	48 64
8,	87 90		
9,	123 42		\$1266 70
10,	101 62		

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

Amount of orders paid,	\$8257 08
Due from E. Richards, 2d,	109 71
Due from R. Pattee, Collector,	611 88
Cash in my hands,	221 75
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	\$9200 42

Money assessed in April, 1858, \$3174 61
 The Selectmen charge themselves with the following orders drawn on the Treasurer:

SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

No. 1,	\$155 68	11,	116 94
2,	58 33	12,	49 46
3,	90 81	13,	113 22
4,	76 81	14,	52 63
5,	68 72	15,	36 54
7,	85 98	16,	48 64
8,	87 90		
9,	123 42		\$1266 70
10,	101 62		

IN FAVOR OF RELIGIOUS SOCIETIES.

Congregational,	\$31 40	Methodist,	11 20
Universalist,	24 90		
Baptist,	16 62		<hr/>
			\$84 12

TO PAY NOTES OUTSTANDING.

Thomas R. Butterfield, note and interest,	\$418 40
Hannah K. Aiken,	266 45
Gideon Flanders,	307 85

Lucy Hadley, interest on note,	36 00
James Barr, note and interest,	165 30
Charles Spencer note and interest,	47 76
Elnathan Whitney, “	302 43
Marden Emerson, “	1053 14
Alfred Story, “	153 00
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	\$2752 33

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Orders drawn on Treasurer after settlement with Auditors in 1857.	
John H. Goodale, for Teachers' Institute,	\$19 76
S. N. Bell, for professional services,	4 00
David Steele, do	13 00
Daniel Kidder, for breaking roads in 1856,	50
Calvin Martin, for services as School Committee,	22 00
James Dodge, do	22 00
Samuel Martin, for boarding mother,	26 00
A. McDougall, for wood furnished Mrs. McCoy,	5 00
James M. Campbell, for printing reports in 1857,	34 25
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	\$146 51

ORDERS DRAWN BY SELECTMEN IN 1858.

William Sweetser,	\$4 00
Town of Hillsborough, for help furnished Lyman children,	5 50
Tewksbury & Brother, for books &c.,	2 83
S. B. Cilley, for claim against the Town,	150 00
Thornton, for the support of E. Chubbuck,	21 75
Samuel Dow, for money paid in moving E. Chubbuck to Goffstown,	13 71
William G. Buxton, for damage by breaking wagon,	3 00
A. Story, for land taken for Stevens Road,	25 00
John Burnham, “	5 00
A. F. Carr, for doctoring county paupers,	5 25
R. P. Colling, wood for W. Sweetser,	1 50
Gideon Flanders, for services settling with S. B. Cilley,	3 00
Daniel Kidder, for services at poor farm in 1857,	191 41
Dr. Little, for doctoring S. O. Gould's wife in 1857.	7 00
S. F. Burnham, county paper bill,	1 50
Town of New Boston, funeral expenses of J. Colby,	10 28
Gideon Flanders Jr., for goods delivered F. J. Beard,	15 13
J. Kennedy, for breaking roads in 1856,	1 50
David S. Ferson, school house tax,	20 00
John Little, do	25 00
Town of Sutton, for support of Isaac Johonnet,	8 84

Town of Bow, do Lydia Wheeler,	19 00
Thomas R. Hoyt Jr., for surveying road,	2 00
G. W. Parker, for timber and plank for New Boston Bridge,	8 03
Daniel Paige, services on Shirley road,	5 00
D. Y. Stearns, goods delivered F. J. Beard,	5 00
R. P. Collins, for wood delivered W. Sweetser,	1 50
G. P. Hadley, for services on Robie Road,	2 00
A. Poor, timber for bridge near Dr. Little's,	7 91
Morrison, Fitch & Stanley for professional services in 1854-6 and 7,	50 00
William Sweetser,	3 00
Daniel Kidder, for use of poor farm,	100 00
James H. Sweetser, for William Sweetser,	7 00
D. H. Patterson, for labor on Little bridge,	1 00
Geo. P. Hadley, for services on Cheney hill road,	2 00
Paige Richardson, money to part rent for farm,	17 50
Merrill & Jonhonnet, for services rendered County pauper,	3 00
F. B. Martin, for abatement on tax,	40
R. P. Collins, wood for Wm. Sweetser,	3 75
J. M. Tenney, for boarding J. M. Clough while sick,	5 00
J. M. Campbell, for printing road notices,	2 75
J. H. Goodale, for teachers' institute,	19 76
Town Clerk of Springfield,	3 00
D. Butler, for moving J. Colby to poor farm in 1857,	50
Warren Harriman, abatement of poll tax,	1 23
Horace Peabody, for help to Ann Colby,	1 00
Town of Epsom, for support of J. Colby and family,	16 00
Paid for insuring Town buildings,	3 93
E. Richards, 2nd, for use of Horse &c.,	10 35
Alfred Story, for money paid out on settlement with city of Manchester, and on pauper business, postage and stationery,	\$11 77
Paid David Steele, for professional services,	9 20
E. Richards 2nd. for abatement of taxes in 1857	38 93
T. R. Butterfield, for services, and money paid out on settling with the city of Manchester,	11 53
S. J. Dow, for labor on bridge,	1 00
S. J. Merrill, for labor on bridge,	1 00
George H. Newell, labor on bridge,	50
Samuel Kidder, for breaking out roads in 1856,	2 00
Daniel Kidder, for use of the town,	122 00
Benjamin Greer, for timber for bridge,	9 15
S. S. Weston, for taking care of town house and wood furnished,	4 25

A. F. Carr, for doctoring at town farm,	15 00
do doctoring county pauper,	3 00
do do	7 00
do Willard Atherton's family,	5 50
Carr and Hadley, services as school committee,	60 00
Moses Gage, for gravel taken to repair Shirley road,	2 00
Richard Pattee, collecting taxes,	47 62
Richard Pattee, abatement of taxes,	16 46
Samuel Dow, for money paid out on settlement with city of Manchester, and horse to Bow &c.,	3 06
Daniel Kidder for poor farm,	10 00
A. F. Carr, auditor,	2 00
T. R. Butterfield, do	2 00
D. S. Carr, do	2 00

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FOR LAND DAMAGE AND BUILDING THE CHENEY, HILL ROAD.

Paid Gilman Blaisdell, for land damage,	200 00
Henry B. Stearns, do	150 95
Moses W. Woodbury, do	452 50
Gideon Flanders, for building road,	57 50
F. H. Watson, do	355 30

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FOR FINISHING THE SHIRLEY ROAD.

Paid Robert M. Shirley, for building the embankment across the Addison meadow,	240 00
Andrew McDougall, for repairing bridge,	1 00
D. H. Barr, for labor of men and oxen,	29 00
Robert Patten, do	3 00
William Shirley, labor of men and oxen,	7 00
William Richardson, do	12 50
Daniel Shirley, do	14 00
Indictment on Shirley road,	20 10

326 60

TAXES ABATED IN E. RICHARDS 2ND'S LIST FOR 1857.

William Stinson,	\$2 06	Dunlop I. Poor,	1 72
Paige Richardson,	5 85	Jonathan Stevens,	2 06
Sandford Gardner,	2 06	Charleton Hadley,	2 06
Lewis Gillis,	2 06	Richard B. Hadley's heirs,	1 14
Frederick Sweetser,	2 06	Caleb Martin,	2 06

Francis Beard,	2 29	Peter Douglass,	2 06
Joseph Warren,	2 29	J. Trask Plumer,	2 06
William Webber,	2 06	Abner F. Collins,	48
Amos I. Pollard,	2 06	Hannah Roberts' heirs,	2 50

TAXES ABATED IN RICHARD PATTEE'S LIST FOR 1858.

Warren Allen,	\$1 23	Poor House Farm,	8 77
John Willard,	1 23	Noyes P. Morgrage,	1 23
Sarah W. Whitney,	2 77	Benjamin Belcher,	1 23

ALFRED STORY, } *Selectmen*
 SAMUEL DOW, } *of*
 DAVID H. BARR. } *Goffstown.*

SELECTMEN'S REPORT OF PAUPER FARM AND HOUSE.

STOCK, HOGS AND FOWLS.

1 pair of oxen,	\$125 00
6 Cows,	185 00
7 two years old,	160 00
2 yearlings,	22 00
1 horse,	40 00
2 shoats,	34 00
18 fowls,	7 50
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	\$573 50

HAY, STRAW, &c.

17 tons of 1st quality,	\$212 00
2 do 2nd do	20 00
Straw and Corn Fodder,	10 00
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	\$242 00

WOOD AND LUMBER.

30 cords of wood,	\$60 00
Oak timber joist and boards,	8 00
Clapboards and cart spokes,	4 75
Sleepers and lumber at mill,	18 00
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	\$90 75

A new building built the past year 27 by 16 feet, for carriage house and workshop,	\$100 00
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PROVISIONS.

110 bushels of corn,	\$110 00
7½ do wheat, and 1 of rye,	16 00
2 do barley and 8 of oats,	6 40
6 do beans and ½ bushel of peas,	9 75
93 do potatoes, 42 cts.,	39 06
1 do beets, 4 of turnips, and 5 of carrots,	3 50
3½ bbl., of apples,	7 00
¾ bushel of onions,	75
2 bbl. of salt pork,	45 00
1 do beef,	13 00
312 lbs. of ham, and 74 lbs of fresh beef,	40 24
55 do cheese and 6 of butter,	7 00
13 do tallow and 37 dozen of candles,	5 74
60 do lard and 11 lbs dried apple,	8 38
3½ bbls of cider and 2 of vinegar,	16 00
35 lbs of flour and 1 bush. salt,	1 74
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	\$329 56

FARMING TOOLS.

4 ploughs, 2 carts, including new wheels,	\$58 00
1 cultivator. two harrows,	8 00
3 sleds, 1 drag and 5 chains,	15 00
1 wagon and sleigh,	55 00
2 harnesses, 2 robes and bells,	15 00
6 ox yokes,	7 00
7 axes, 1 do broad, 3 wood saws, 1 hand saw,	6 00
5 hay forks, 2 do manure and 2 shovels,	3 00
7 rakes, scythes, and snaths,	3 50
2 bush scythes, 1 hay cutter and 1 mankiller,	2 00
3 ironbars, 3 augers, 2 chisels and 2 steel drills,	6 00
2 hammers, 4 wedges and 1 beetle.	1 50
1 grindstone and 1 manure hook,	3 00
1 whiffletree and chains,	1 50
1 square, 3 gimlets and 2 sickles,	50
1 pick and 1 span shackle,	1 50
7 hoes, 2 adze and 1 monkey wrench,	2 50
4 baskets, and 1 fanning mill,	4 50
2 bench planes,	50
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	\$194 00

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

10 bedsteads, 10 straw ticks, and cords,	4 25
13 feather beds, 26 pillows, 53 cases and 3 bolsters,	47 00
23 blankets, and 3 bed-spreads,	14 00
39 sheets, 21 quilts, 7 coverlids and 19 comfortors,	50 00
2 table covers, 2 cheese cloths and 1 strainer,	2 00
4 rollers and 3 towels,	1 50
12 meal bags and 3 looking glasses,	2 00
2 light-stands, 9 chests, 1 bureau and 1 desk,	4 75
3 tables, 1 clock and 5 trunks,	5 70
Crockery and glass ware, knives, forks, spoons &c.,	8 00
3 sad irons and 1 brass kettle,	1 50
2 cooking stoves and furniture,	20 00
4 tubs and 3 wash boards,	2 38
3 trays and 3 skimmers,	75
3 wooden pails and 2 boxes,	50
41 tin milk pans, 5 tin pails and 3 tin pots,	4 68
3 stone jars and 2 earthen pots,	1 00
27 chairs, clothes line and basket,	3 00
3 pairs of andirons and 3 pairs of shovel and tongs,	2 75
3 butter firkins and 1 salt mortar,	1 00
2 wash bowls and 2 dust pans,	50
2 pairs of steelyards and 4 candlesticks,	1 85
1 large dish pan and sausage filler,	80
2 wheels and reel,	1 00
1 apple pearer, 2 butcher knives, and 1 chopping do,	1 25
9 chambers and 1 bed pan,	4 71
1 bible, 3 testaments and other books,	5 00
1 lantern and 1 sugar bucket,	80
9 cider bbls. and 2 hhds.	6 25
Lot of dry casks and water tubs,	2 25
3 soap bbls., 1 sauce do and 2 kegs,	1 75
7 meat barrels,	3 00
3½ barrels of soap,	13 00
4 lbs. of sole leather and 1 sett of measures,	1 50
2 cupboards, 1 churn and 1 cheese press,	7 00

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RECAPITULATION.

1858.	Dr.
March 1. To real estate,	\$2400 00
Hay and stock,	771 33
Wood and lumber,	136 75
Provisions,	298 46
Farming tools,	119 27

Interest on the above one year,	241 98
Agents' pay for one year,	200 00
Doctor's bill,	15 00
Cash drawn from Treasurer,	232 00
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	\$4721 99
1859.	Cr.
March 1. By real estate,	\$2400 00
New shed built the past year,	100 00
Hay and stock,	815 50
Wood and lumber,	90 75
Provisions,	329 56
Farming tools,	194 56
Household furniture,	227 42
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	\$4157 23
Balance against the institution, including interest on the whole property and Agents' pay,	\$564 76
ALFRED STORY, SAMUEL DOW, DAVID H. BARR,	} Overseers.

NAMES OF PAUPERS AT THE FARM DURING THE YEAR.

	AGE.		
Elijah Chubuck,	82	Eli Colby,	24
Abigail Buswell,	79	Isaac W. Martin,	20
Josiah George,	71	William Lyman,	12
George McCoy,	58	Mary Lyman,	14
William McFerson,	70	Luther C. Lyman,	9
Sally McFerson,	51	James Lyman,	6
Sarah Ordway,	78	Sarah Colby,	24
Amy Keeley,	49	Jacob Colby,	78
No. at the house, Feb. 22, 1859,			<hr/>
Average No. during the year,			11
			10

We hereby certify that we have this day examined the Treasurer's and Selectmen's accounts, and find that there is due from E. Richards, 2d, former collector, one hundred and nine dollars and seventy-one cents, and from Richard Pattee, present collector, the

sum of six hundred and eleven dollars and eighty-eight cents, and actually in the Treasurer's hands the sum of two hundred and twenty-one dollars and seventy-five cents; against which there are outstanding accounts amounting to about six hundred and fifty-two dollars. The notes outstanding against the town amount to \$6166.50, from which deduct the balance in the hands of collector and treasurer—over outstanding accounts—and it leaves \$5857.50, as the actual debt now existing.

The books of the Selectmen and Treasurer are accurately kept, and vouched for, in every particular.

T. R. BUTTERFIELD,	} <i>Auditors.</i>
A. F. CARR,	
D. S. CARR,	

DANIEL KIDDER IN ACCOUNT WITH PAUPER FARM.

	Cr.
By 124 lbs. of sugar,	\$11 72
2½ lbs. of tea,	10 92
8 lbs. of coffee,	1 12
11 lbs. of salaratus,	77
12 lbs. of tobacco,	3 17
277½ lbs. of fish,	15 18
128 lbs. of nails,	5 26
82 lbs. of Potash,	7 23
67½ lbs. veal,	4 56
95 lbs. beef,	6 62
42½ lbs. pork,	5 85
Sheeting, prints, and other cloths, thread, &c.,	19 17
11½ bushels rye,	12 51
2 bushels wheat,	4 50
Rum and gin,	1 70
Salt and garden-seed,	3 96
Money paid paupers,	1 88
Labor on farm,	30 35
Crackers, soap, &c.,	1 65
8 quarts sperm oil,	2 32
Paid for pasturing cattle,	20 18
1½ bushels of onions,	1 25
Grass seed,	6 88
5½ barrels of flour,	33 25
21 gallons of molasses,	7 58
10 pairs of boots and shoes,	18 03

Spices, pepper, and indigo,	2 01
Brooms, tea and coffee pots, crockery, &c.,	2 85
6 lbs. of cotton batting,	60
400 lbs. plaster, and cultivator teeth,	2 58
Candle wicking, twine, &c.,	1 37
Expense to Hillsborough, &c.,	75
Water-pails, earthen pots, and tin ware,	1 60
Plough points, shovels, and other farming tools,	6 12
Palmleaf hats, bonnets, handkerchiefs, &c.,	2 97
Rice, hops and starch,	1 16
Making pants, suspenders and crash,	2 31
1 pair of new cast wheels,	7 00
Repairing cart-wheel,	2 62
Paper, pens and school books,	65
Knives and forks, pipes and cement,	1 48
Window-glass, matches and groceries,	1 22
Cash paid nursing Sarah Colby,	25
do for Spenser,	1 75
do Worthley for doctoring cow, and for time,	92
do repairing halter, and 1 rennet skin,	71
do $\frac{1}{2}$ M. shingles and 1 ox card,	1 60
do for two cows,	50 00
do two lambs,	3 00
do sawing lumber 13 64, and for threshing,	20 39
do note for 8 days work on shed,	8 00
do window frames, sash and glass,	8 00
do filing saw and repairing sleigh,	20
do for 1058 feet of hemlock boards,	8 47
do door trimmings,	1 24
do use of cider mill,	1 20
do sweet potatoes and saltpetre,	15
do paints and painting floor and fish bbl.,	2 60
do 5 bushels of sweet apples,	2 50
do butchering and ox labor,	1 38
do coat for Geo. McCoy, and 3 caps for boys,	7 50
do $8\frac{7}{8}$ yds of cloth for pants,	7 00
do 2 " of frocking and 1 pants for Colby,	3 15
do winter clothing for paupers,	19 19
do blacksmith bills,	12 70
do repairing boots and shoes.	3 14

Whole amount of credit,

444 95

DANIEL KIDDER IN ACCOUNT WITH POOR FARM.

	Dr.
To 3 gal. boiled cider,	1 50
600 old brick sold,	1 50
One fowl,	45
70 lbs. of hide,	5 08
14 $\frac{3}{4}$ bushels of potatoes,	7 98
40 bushels of oats,	20 30
1 cart-load of pumpkins,	1 50
Soap, grease and lamb's pelt,	58
Labor done off farm,	16 37
150 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. of butter,	29 68
29 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. of lard,	3 91
31 quarts of beans and peas,	1 78
13 bushels of corn,	13 11
19 gallons of vinegar,	3 10
Use of horse,	4 85
2 calves sold,	10 00
1 cow and 1 steer sold,	51 50
20 lbs. of ham,	2 56
13 $\frac{1}{2}$ dozen eggs,	1 89
Lumber sold,	6 79
Apples,	4 83
677 quarts of milk sold,	23 69
Orders on Town Treasurer,	232 00
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Cash rec'd of Francis Martin for rent of pasture, which is due from Daniel Kidder to the town,	4 00
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SELECTMEN'S ACCOUNTS.

Town of Goffstown to Alfred Story, for services as Se-	
lectman for 1858,	Dr.
March 15, $\frac{1}{2}$ day on pauper business,	\$0 75
$\frac{1}{2}$ day hiring agent for poor-farm,	75
1 day with Selectmen of Thornton on pauper business,	1 50
1 day preparing accounts for settling with Manchester,	1 50

1 day copying inventory books,	1 50
April—8½ days taking inventory,	12 75
½ day advertising road for sale across Addison meadow,	75
3 days examining various wood lots in town,	4 50
½ day selling the building of the road across Addison meadow,	75
1 day on pauper business,	1 50
5 days making taxes,	7 50
1 day appointing collector and other town officers,	1 50
1 day distributing surveyor's warrants,	1 50
Returning soldiers,	1 50
½ day making school-house tax,	75
May—½ day with the Selectmen of Bow,	75
June—½ day with the Selectmen of New Boston,	75
½ day on pauper business,	75
½ day on the Shirley road,	75
Journey to Bow on pauper business,	1 50
July—Journey to Sutton on pauper business,	4 00
Aug.—Journey to Manchester on town business,	1 50
1 day on Cheney Hill road,	1 50
1 day advertising road for sale,	1 50
½ day on Shirley road,	75
1 day at Manchester and Bedford on pauper business,	1 50
1 day on B. Brook road, &c ,	1 50
1 day to Bow on pauper business,	1 50
½ day on Robie road and New Boston bridge,	75
Sept. 4th, 1 day selling Cheney Hill road at auction,	1 50
1 day laying out Robie Hill road and making report,	1 50
1 day writing contracts on Cheney Hill road, and other town business,	1 50
½ day writing and posting up warrants for town meeting,	75
Oct.—1 day with agent on Shirley road,	1 50
½ day drawing jurors and other town business,	75
Recording taxes,	4 00
Nov.—7 days at Manchester and other places settling the claim of Goffstown against Manchester,	10 50
1 day at court settling up indictment on Shirley road,	1 50
½ day with the Selectmen of Claremont,	75
1 day on road and petitioning the court on Shirley road,	1 50
1 day paying debts of the town,	1 50
1 day on Cheney hill road,	1 50
½ day at Steele's office on Shirley road,	75
Dec.—Journey to Epsom on pauper business,	2 00
Journey to Londonderry on do	2 00
½ day settling with Mr. Watson for building road,	75

Journey to Bedford on pauper business,	1 50
1 day apportioning school money and correcting jury list,	1 50
Feb. 19, 1859—1 day writing warrants and correcting check list,	1 50
Recording vouchers and doing other town business,	2 00
1 day at poor-farm,	1 50
1 day settling with collector and other business,	1 50
1 day with the auditors,	1 50
Preparing account for printing,	4 00
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Town of Goffstown, to Samuel Dow, for services as Se-
lectman for 1858.

	Dr.
March, to $\frac{1}{2}$ day on pauper business,	75
$\frac{1}{2}$ day hiring agent for poor farm,	75
$\frac{1}{2}$ day on town business,	75
27th, 2 days at Manchester on town debt,	3 00
31st, 1 do	1 50
April, to 8 days taking inventory,	12 00
$\frac{1}{2}$ day, selling the building the road across the Addison meadow,	75
3 days examining wood lots,	4 50
1 do on pauper business,	1 50
4 do at Thornton on pauper business,	6 00
1 do distributing surveyors warrants;	1 50
1 do appointing Collector, and other town officers,	1 50
$\frac{1}{2}$ do making school house tax,	75
May, to $\frac{1}{2}$ day at Charles Haseltine's,	75
June, to $\frac{1}{2}$ day on pauper business,	75
$\frac{1}{2}$ do	75
1 day on town business,	1 50
1 do at Bow on pauper business,	1 50
August $\frac{1}{2}$ day on town business,	75
$\frac{1}{2}$ day on Cheney hill road,	75
$\frac{1}{2}$ do mountain road,	75
1 do bridge near Doctor Little's,	1 50
1 do black brook road,	1 50
1 day at Bow on pauper business,	1 50
1 do on Robie road, and New Boston bridge,	1 50
Sept. to 1 day on Cheney hill road,	1 50
$\frac{1}{2}$ day at Manchester, on town business,	75
$\frac{1}{2}$ do on Robie road,	75
$\frac{1}{2}$ do road business,	75
$\frac{1}{2}$ do at Manchester,	75

$\frac{1}{2}$ do on road,	72
Oct. $\frac{1}{2}$ day on town business,	75
$\frac{1}{2}$ on road,	75
$\frac{1}{2}$ day on road,	75
$\frac{1}{3}$ day at Charles Haseltine,	75
Nov. 1.—1 day at Manchester on town debt,	1 50
2, $\frac{1}{2}$ day on Cheney hill road,	75
9, $\frac{1}{2}$ do	75
13, $\frac{1}{2}$ do	75
16, $\frac{1}{2}$ do	75
20, 1 do	1 50
22— $\frac{1}{2}$ day at D. Steele's office on road business,	75
27— $\frac{1}{2}$ day on Cheney Hill road,	75
Dec. 4— $\frac{1}{2}$ day on do	75
6—1 day on do	1 50
10— $\frac{1}{2}$ day on town business,	75
18—1 day apportioning school money and correcting jury list,	1 50
1859, Feb. 19—Writing warrant and correcting check list,	1 50
21—1 day at poor farm,	1 50
Feb. 23—1 day settling with Collector,	1 50
24—1 day with auditors,	1 50
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Town of Goffstown to David H. Barr, for services as Selectman for 1858,	Dr.
March— $\frac{1}{2}$ day hiring agent for poor farm,	\$ 75
$\frac{1}{2}$ day on Shirley road,	75
1 day at Manchester on town debt,	1 50
$\frac{1}{2}$ day at West Goffstown,	75
April 9—taking inventory,	13 50
3—examining wood lots,	4 50
$\frac{1}{2}$ day selling the building the road across the Addison meadow,	75
4 days making taxes,	6 00
1 day appointing Collector and other officers,	1 50
1 distributing Surveyors' warrants,	1 50
May—1 day at Charles Haseltine's,	1 50
June—taking charge of building the road across the Addison meadow,	2 00
July— $\frac{1}{2}$ day repairing bridge,	75
1 day on pauper business,	1 50
Aug.—1 day on Cheney hill road,	1 50
1 day on Shirley road,	57

1 day on Cheney hill road,	1 50
Sept.—1 day selling the building Cheney hill road,	1 50
1 day on Robie road,	1 50
Nov.—1 day on Cheney hill road,	1 50
$\frac{1}{2}$ day at West Goffstown,	.75
$\frac{1}{2}$ day at Manchester at court on Shirley road case,	75
Dec.—1 day on Cheney hill road,	1 50
1 day apportioning school money and correcting jury list,	1 50
1859 Feb. 19—1 day writing warrants and correcting check list,	1 50
1 day at poor farm,	1 50
1 day settling with Collector,	1 50
1 day with the auditor,	1 50
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	\$56 00

SCHOOL REPORT.

To the Inhabitants of the town of Goffstown :

By comparing the schools now, with what they were ten years ago, we can see that they are really in a much better condition ; yet there is still room for improvement.

By attending to a few suggestions which are the result of a careful observation, we believe that further improvements may be made at about the same expenditure of money.

1st. Every resident in a district should feel it his duty to become interested in the school,—because it is the most important institution of the country ; upon the success and continuance of which, his liberty, his property, the happiness of himself and offspring depend. He should manifest this by attending the annual district meeting and securing the election of a faithful and impartial Prudential Committee—one who possesses a fair knowledge of human nature, and who would not only be likely to judge shrewdly of the capacity and suitableness of a teacher ; but would be at the pains, before hiring, to inquire what his experience and success had been heretofore ; knowing that an experienced and competent teacher is as much cheaper at one dollar per day, than a poor one is at one-half dollar ; as chestnut posts at six cents a piece are cheaper for fencing, than white-birch ones are at three cents.

2nd. Every parent in a district should visit the school at least once during the term in order to encourage the teacher and to manifest a proper respect to one holding the important office of instructor of their children ; and always upon hearing an unfavorable report of anything which has transpired at school, ascertain its truth before expressing an opinion to the children, and if possible sustain the teacher, and never let an unjust prejudice interfere with the success of the school. This is important where so large a number of female teachers are employed. Few females have the physical force to manage a large winter school and enforce order, without they are heartily sustained by the parents.

3d. Every inhabitant in a district should be interested in having neat school room—its seats un-cut by the pen-knife, and its walls ornamented with a map of the State, and also an outline map of both the Hemispheres ; and if possible a globe and school library, and in several districts four times the number square feet of blackboard. Money would be well laid out in doing this ; better than many other investments we

make in this life. These facilities for conveying instruction would enable the pupil to advance in his studies much more rapidly than he would without them. We do not always consider that the improvements in conveying knowledge are nearly equal to our improvements in traveling. We can go to Boston much quicker by railroad than upon the highway.

4th. Scholars should be prompt in their attendance at school—always there at the moment it commences.

5th. The Prudential Committee should notify the Superintending Committee when the school in his District commences and when it closes; also see that the School Registers are returned to him.

DIST. No. 1. Summer term—Miss Ann Hadley, teacher. The school was prosperous while it continued, and satisfactory to every one; but the teacher was obliged to give it up by reason of sickness which resulted in her death. We have no report of this term.

Winter term—Miss Sarah H. Prince, teacher. Miss Prince was not as successful as we were hoping she might have been; though entitled to the credit of endeavoring to do well. There were several causes for this want of success, over which she could have no control. 1st. Sixty-four scholars were in attendance, and only forty-eight seats to accommodate them. 2d. The parents manifested their indifference to its success by never calling at the school-room,—Two only visiting the school during the term. 3d. The parents failed to sustain the teacher, and it was impossible for her to enforce order.

It is apparent that something must be done with this school-room: Better accommodations for pupils or else admit none under the age of seven years. A better course would be to unite with District No. 13, build a new house, and grade the school. Let the small ones occupy the lower room, and the larger ones the upper. Then with two suitable teachers we should be likely to have a better school. Oren Moore, Prudential Committee.

DIST. No. 2. Miss Susan E. Bailey, teacher both during the Summer and Winter terms. This school appeared well on every occasion that we visited it—the scholars were obedient, and made very commendable improvement, and the teacher was faithful so far as we could discover; yet there was some dissatisfaction expressed. We hope it may be hereafter established as a rule by Prudential Committees, never to employ a teacher for a second term against whom a single family of the district is prejudiced; whether their prejudices are well grounded or not, it is pretty sure to interfere with the success of the school, and trouble the teacher as well as the inhabitants of the district. Prejudices are soon enough encountered without having any to start with. Charlton K. Pierce, P. C.

DIST. No. 3. Miss Alma Richards, teacher during the Summer term. It was her first trial at teaching; yet she gave good satisfaction, and her school appeared finely at the examination. Needs more blackboard.

Winter term, by Mr. Moore. The school appeared promising when we visited it at its commencement, and we understood was satisfactory to the district. On account of a severe snow storm, we could not be present at its examination. No Register returned. B. F. Aiken, P. C.

DIST. No. 4. One term—taught by Miss Lydia D. Atwood, a competent and experienced teacher. The examination was very satisfactory. Her pupils had made good progress during their ten weeks' attendance. William Moore, P. C.

DIST. No. 5. Summer and Winter term by Miss Maria A. Stevens. The inhabitants of this district manifest a commendable interest in the success of their school. Twenty-two visits are reported to have been made during the Winter term. We found some of the best scholars in town here, who acquitted themselves well at the examination. Miss Stevens is an excellent scholar, and well qualified as an instructor. In some schools she might fail in discipline, without the hearty co-operation of the parents. Gilman Plumer, P. C.

DIST. No. 7. Summer term, by Miss Farley. This was her first term. We failed to visit this school from a mistake in receiving the notice; but understood that she gave good satisfaction.

Winter term, by Mr F. Farley. We visited this school at its commencement and close, and found some excellent scholars in attendance, some of whom, by having proper advantages, would make superior ones. We would suggest to the district to purchase a set of mural maps or charts, and establish a class in Geography. This was the only school in which this branch of education was not attended to. Mr. Farley is a popular teacher.

DIST. No. 8. Summer term—Miss Susan E. Bailey. This school appeared well, and we believe was satisfactory to the inhabitants of the district.

Winter term—Miss E. S. Flint. We felt considerable interest in this school, and believe that the scholars, with a reasonable application to their studies—making it their sole business and their chief concern during the term, would soon take the lead of all the schools in town. A divided attention to several kinds of business generally results in failure. Let a new leaf be turned over—let parents, teacher and pupils feel the importance of an individual attention to the business of study during the term. N. Roberts, P. C.

DIST. No. 9. Summer term—Miss Mary E. Brown. The school appeared remarkably well, and we believe was satisfactory to the district.

Winter term, taught by Mr. A. N. Fields, who took great pains in drilling his pupils and exhibiting their acquirements, which were very considerable and creditable to the faithfulness of the teacher and industry of the pupils. Fifty visits from citizens and others are reported to have been made during the Winter term. Maps are needed here as in all of the other schools, and can well be afforded by a district containing so many enterprising inhabitants. Dr. J. S. Little, P. C.

DIST. No. 10. Summer term—Miss Sabra B. Hadley, teacher. We made three visits to this school during the term, at each of which it appeared well; though from some misunderstanding its success was not complete.

Winter term—Mr. G. G. Philbric. This was not successful—the teacher attributing his want of success to the failure of the parents in sustaining him in enforcing order. We would recommend to the district to procure the services of the teacher of the Winter term in School District No. 15. Ch. Morgrave, P. C.

DIST. No. 11. Summer term under the charge of Miss Lizzie F. George. An excellent school in every respect.

Winter term under the charge of Mr. Jesse Beard, one of the most experienced teachers in the State, being his sixty-eighth term. Mr. B. is at home in the school-room, and has had at one time and another almost all the active business men in this vicinity for his pupils. Though near

if not quite, seventy years of age, he has kept up and even in advance of the times, not only being familiar with all the modern improvements of conveying instruction to the young mind, but has much quaint knowledge of his own gathering up, which he communicates in a very happy way to his pupils. We hope he may live to be an hundred years old, and keep as good a school every Winter as he has done this. He speaks warmly in praise of the kindness of his scholars, and of the inhabitants of the District.

DIST. No. 12. Both terms under the charge of Miss Mary A. Greer, who has a fine faculty of interesting her pupils, and is one of our best teachers. The school appeared finely at the examination. Amos Annis, P. C.

DIST. No. 13. The Summer term of this school was under the charge of Mrs. Rebecca J. Weston, whose scholars made very good improvement considering how little interest is manifested by the parents of the children—not a single visit of any person with the exception of the committee is reported.

Winter term—Miss Ann A. Perkins, teacher. The scholars in this school passed a much better examination than we were expecting, knowing how much their attention was occupied by outside matters. Miss P. labored hard, and we trust with some good results. This district should unite with No. 1, build a new house and grade the school. Eliphalet Richards, 2d, P. C.

DIST. No. 2. Both Summer and Winter term taught by Miss Esther M. Goodwin. Duration of both terms eleven weeks. No. of scholars, 12; average attendance about 9. This was Miss Goodwin's first trial at teaching—the school was too small to be interesting to the teacher or scholars, and if either failed there would have been a good excuse. The school appeared well at our visits, and we judge made commendable improvement. Acel P. Jeffis and Geo. F. Worthley, P. C.

DIST. No. 15. Summer term, by Miss Susan E. Worthley, who did remarkably well, and is going to make one of our best teachers.

Winter term. The District was fortunate in securing the services of Mr. H. A. Burnham, an accurate scholar and experienced teacher. No school in town made more improvement during the same number of weeks. Levi D. Heath, P. C.

DIST. No. 16. Summer term—Miss Mary J. Atwood, a well qualified teacher, managing the school with good judgment, and exhibiting at the close the praiseworthy improvement of her pupils.

Winter term—was well taught by Miss S. F. Parker—the scholars made good progress, and are deserving of much praise for their improvement in reading, which was very apparent.

In nearly all of our schools the Arithmetic now in use is behind the times, and your committee would take this opportunity of recommending to be used in our schools Eaton's Arithmetic, which, after a careful examination and comparison with the others now in use, we are satisfied is superior in many respects to them all.

1st. It contains all of the modern improvements in the science of Arithmetic.

2d. Its rules are more concise, and expressed with greater simplicity and clearness.

3d. Its arrangement is excellent, and designed more for the purpose of conveying a practical business knowldge, than to initiate the pupil into the mystery of solving puzzles.

A. F. CARR, } *Superintending*
G. P. HADLEY, } *School Committee.*

Goffstown, March 1, 1859.

Statistical Table.

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